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In re Application of:

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IMMERSION OF A SEMICONDUCTOR  
ELEMENT IN AN EXPOSED SURFACE OF  
VISCOSUS FLUID

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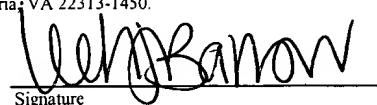
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The following amendments and remarks are filed in response to the Examiner's remarks in the Office Action mailed November 10, 2003, the three-month shortened statutory period for response to which expires on February 10, 2004.

**Amendments to the Title** appear on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 21 of this paper.

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**IN THE TITLE:**

The title has been amended herein. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.121 and 1.125 (as amended to date), please enter the title as amended.

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SEMICONDUCTOR ELEMENT IN AN EXPOSED SURFACE OF VISCOUS FLUID**